



NELSON COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION

Scholarship Program & Application

As of February 1, 2019

NCPR scholarship exists to help provide access to fee-based programs and services for customers in need of financial assistance. NCPR scholarship is valid for the most (but not all) fee-based programs and services and is subject to availability within the specific programs and service.



Scholarship Application Form

Guardian Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Please list all adults and children living at the address listed above that you wish to use in determining your household size. Any changes to this part of the application after submission requires a new application and review.

Please list the annual gross income as reported on the most current U.S. tax return for each person listed on the application. If you are using the Department of Social Services to verify your income, please leave blank and check the box below.

	Name	Age	Date of Birth	Relationship to Applicant	Income
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
6.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
7.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
8.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Please check which method of income verification you are using for this application:

- Tax Return(s) Does your household receive SNAP (food stamps) benefits

Statement of Understanding & Agreement

I have read and understand the rules and restrictions for Nelson County Parks & Recreation scholarship program. By signing and submitting this application, I hereby agree to the rules and restrictions outline in the scholarship program. I understand that I must fully disclose all income and hereby grant permission to the Department of Social Services to release income and employment information to the Department of Parks & Recreation. I understand there are legal penalties for submitting false information. I understand that I may be subject to a review for eligibility once a year, twice a year, or quarterly. Nelson County Parks & Recreation reserves the right to request more information, investigate the information and/or deny the scholarship based upon the information submitted.

Signature

Date

Parks & Recreation Use Only: Reviewed by: _____ Application Review Date: _____

Income Info Submitted: Yes No Annual Income: _____ Discount Awarded: _____

Eligibility

The scholarship program is available to **Nelson County Residents Only**. Eligibility for a scholarship is based upon gross annual income and household size (see eligibility chart below). Proper documentation must be submitted in order to be considered for eligibility (see income documentation). If the applicant does not have the required documentation then they must have income verified by the Nelson County, Department of Social Services using their standard income verification processes and methods.

Benefits

Recreational Classes, Programs and Camps

The Parks and Recreation scholarship provides a discounted fee for recreational classes, programs and camps on a sliding scale based on gross annual income and household size see Eligibility chart below).

Eligibility Chart

Household Size	90% Discount	75% Discount	50% Discount	25% Discount
1	Below \$12,140	\$12,141-\$16,753	\$16,754-\$18,210	\$18,211-\$24,280
2	Below \$16,460	\$16,461-\$22,715	\$22,716-\$24,690	\$24,691-\$32,920
3	Below \$20,780	\$20,781-\$28,676	\$28,677-\$31,170	\$31,171-\$41,560
4	Below \$25,100	\$25,101-\$34,638	\$34,639-\$37,650	\$37,651-\$50,200
5	Below \$29,420	\$29,421-\$40,600	\$40,601-\$44,130	\$44,131-\$58,840
6	Below \$33,740	\$33,741-\$46,561	\$46,562-\$50,610	\$50,611-\$67,480
7	Below \$38,060	\$38,061-\$52,523	\$52,524-\$57,090	\$57,091-\$76,120
8	Below \$42,380	\$42,381-\$58,484	\$58,485-\$63,570	\$63,571-\$84,760

Eligibility table represents discount levels based on gross annual income as compared to % of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). Source: 2017 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services as published in the Federal Register, January 16, 2019

Restrictions

The Parks & Recreation scholarship is **not** valid for the following programs or services:

- Adult League Sports

Application Procedure & Income Documentation

In order to be considered for a Parks & Recreation scholarship, a signed application with the following documentation must be submitted.

- Proof of residency (valid driver's license, utility bill, tax statement/bill or other proof of residency and
- A signed copy of all adult applicants current U.S. Individual Federal Income Tax return (see below) or
- A signed waiver on the application to obtain financial information from the Department of Social Services.

Tax Return Information

For applicants submitting their current U.S. Individual Tax Return (Form 1040A or 1040EZ), you must submit tax returns for all working adults listed on the application. The total number of people listed on the application will be used to determine the household size on the discount chart and the income documentation must match.

Special Instructions

- If the filing status on the tax return is checked "Married Filing Separately", the applicant must submit their spouses tax return.
- If the applicant can be claimed as a dependent on their tax return, the applicant must provide the tax return(s) of the person(s) claiming them as a dependent.
- Monies received from scholarships, student loans and/or investments count as income and will be used in determining your gross annual income.

Parks & Recreation does not require social security numbers, so please black out that information prior to submitting. All income documentation will be destroyed following approval.

Applications (with documentation) may be submitted in person at the Nelson Parks and Recreation office.

Application Review and Award

Upon receipt of a scholarship application, Parks & Recreation staff will review the application (5-10 business days) and will make a financial assistance determination based upon the information submitted. The application will not be processed until all necessary documents are provided. All applicants will be notified once a decision has been made.

Re-Verification

Once the scholarship has been awarded, the applicant is required to re-verify their income and the household size every twelve (12) months in order to maintain their scholarship discount. The applicant may re-submit their financial information at any time if their income level changes and would like to be considered for a larger discount. If there any changes in the household size during the duration of the scholarship, new income documentation will be required.